

## **EMT–I Field Observation**

Field observation provides a learning opportunity and promotes interaction with other members of the healthcare team. The experience should be structured to expose the learner to the scope of practice of paramedics and what the role paramedics, MICNs and EMT-Is play in prehospital patient care.

The CE provider must have predefined objectives and measurement instruments to document the various learning experiences in order to issue appropriate continuing education credit.

The Field Observation experience for the EMT-I should include, but is not limited to:

- Daily equipment check
- Familiarization of area hospitals and response district
- Observation of drills/demonstrations related to EMS
- Observation of scene safety, patient assessment, and care provided
- Discussion of patient assessment, treatment and applicable policies following each response
- Discussion of possible hospital treatment for patient transported

Prediscussion is mandatory to define objectives and ensure that a structured field observation experience is provided. Prediscussion may only be held with the CE Provider's program director or clinical director.

The objectives listed on the "EMT – I Field Observation CE Documentation" form may be used or other objectives substituted that may be more pertinent to meet the needs of the learner.

### **Documents required for obtaining continuing education credit:**

The EMT-I must complete the following in order to receive continuing education credit:

- The "Results of Experience" section for each objective prediscussed. The comments must reflect the experience and how the objective was met to appropriately document the learning experience.
- Clinical preceptor evaluation
- Complete a course roster